



# Act 1 Theatre Newsletter

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## Notes from the President

Monthly meetings range from tedious to tense and then one comes along like the last one where everything fell easily into place. From it comes our program for 2022, one hopefully less fraught with Covid.



We are hoping and praying for a full program including a return to Theatre Restaurant and TheatreFest. Our four full-length plays are:

*A Tomb with a View*, comedy thriller, in February (see audition details in this newsletter);

*Blithe Spirit*, Noel Coward comedy, in April/May;

*Towards Zero*, Agatha Christie mystery, in October;

*Secret Bridesmaids' Business*, Australian comedy, November.

We are also going to try a new format for these four shows with performances on Saturday and Sunday of opening week, Friday, Saturday and Sunday the second week, and then Friday and Saturday the third week, with the two Sundays being matinees.

These, with a season of One-acts, Theatre Restaurant and TheatreFest, should make for a very full year.

Our website is about to get a remake. Keep watching and thanks to Stan for his work.

We welcomed a new member Nicky, to our meeting. She wants to act and do front of house. Remember you are welcome to Committee meetings if you wish to attend.

Sadly, our final show this year has to be cancelled due to the director's ill health. Instead we have a bright and lively Christmas special in planning. Keep watching this space.

Yours in theatre.

*Terry*

## Act 1 Theatre 2021

### Management Committee

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Mark Anthony

#### Sound & Lighting

Andrew Munslow

#### Set Building

Terry Frawley

#### Newsletter Editor

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#### Wardrobe Coordinator

Anne Wilson

### Other Positions

#### Bar Coordinator

#### Front-of-House Coordinator

Val Rowles

#### Webmaster

Stan Wisniowiecki

#### Patron

Nikki Boyd MP

**BOOKINGS: 0458 579 269**

### How to Contact Act 1 Theatre

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## Coming events:

Scotland Road – October 15-24

Committee Meeting – November 8



Act 1 Theatre presents...

# Scotland Road

Written by Jeffrey Hatcher / Directed by Steve Pearton

~ PERFORMANCE DATES ~  
**15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24 October**

Bookings online only securely via <https://www.trybooking.com/BTTMJ>

Tickets \$12 Members / \$20 Non-members / \$17 Concessions/Students

**ACT 1 THEATRE**  
**PINE SHIRE HALL, 238 GYMPIE ROAD, STRATHPINE**

An Amateur Production by arrangement with Music Theatre International Australasia Pty Ltd, on behalf of Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

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## Scotland Road.

'*Titanic*' - the only word spoken by a young woman rescued from an iceberg towards the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, dressed in clothes from almost a hundred years earlier.

Who is she? What is her connection to the doomed liner and the fateful events of April 1912? What is driving her enigmatic interrogator as he tries to break down her story? What and where is Scotland Road?

This intriguing drama will keep you guessing until the very end. Bookings now open at [www.trybooking.com.au](http://www.trybooking.com.au) .

*(Note new dates, one week later than originally scheduled. Feel free to print attached flyer.)*

## Booking Assistance

If you have any problems booking on line for Act 1 shows, send an e-mail to [acttheatre2@gmail.com](mailto:acttheatre2@gmail.com) or ring [0458 579 269](tel:0458579269) but be sure to leave a message as unknown numbers may not be called back.

## 2022 Program

Our plays for next year have been chosen, as listed in the President's Notes at the top of this newsletter. Exact dates will be finalised and announced in next month's newsletter. In addition, we will have a season of **One-act plays** in June, **TheatreFest** will be back in July and the **Theatre Restaurant/Musical Show** in August (title to be advised). We are also planning some social events throughout the year. We are looking forward to an exciting year and hope to provide opportunities for all members to take part. See audition details next page.

## Christmas Show

As mentioned in the President's Notes, our scheduled final production for this year cannot go ahead so we are in the process of planning a special Christmas show to take its place. At this stage, the program will consist of two one-act plays, some musical numbers and short items, with an overall Christmas theme. We plan to present it on the weekends of 26-28 November and 3-5 December.

Due to the tight time frame, we will not be holding formal auditions but invite anyone who would like to participate to contact Terry (5433 0655) or another Committee member. In particular, one of the proposed short plays has a couple in their mid-40s, their daughter, late teens, and son, about 20. If these roles interest you, please contact Pat (0438 290 649). Full details next month. Remember, Christmas is only eleven weeks away!



## Auditions for *A Tomb with a View*

**Audition dates: Sunday 17 October, 2pm, Monday 18 October, 7pm**

**Performances: late February 2022**

***A Tomb with a View* by Norman Robbins**

**Director: Terry Frawley**



### Characters:

Hamilton Penworthy, family solicitor, age 70

Lucien Tomb, oldest of the Tomb siblings, overweight, loud-mouthed, demanding, 50's

Dora Tomb, emaciated, younger than Lucien but looks older, 50 to 60

Emily Tomb, also overweight, bossy, mid 40's

Marcus Tomb, crazy, dresses as Caesar, early 40's

Anne Franklin, pretty, nurse to Marcus, 25

Agatha Hammond, housekeeper, 60's

Freda Mountjoy, author, middle-aged, smart dresser, 40-50

Peregrine Potter, nervous, Freda's secretary, mid 30's

Monica Tomb, attractive, man-hungry, stunning figure, 35

A comedy-thriller.

Imagine the Addams Family in a crumbling English manor. The homicidal Tomb family have gathered for the reading of their father's will. To their chagrin, he has left a large part of his estate to an outsider. What is to be done? Obviously, disposing of inconvenient individuals is a logical course of action.

Contact: Terry Frawley. 5433 0655

### Responsible Service of Alcohol

Would you like to obtain a qualification that allows you to be in charge of a licensed premises? It is a requirement of our liquor licence that we have someone with a Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) certificate available when we operate the bar. At present, our President, Terry, is qualified but we need to have another person who can also step up when needed. Act 1 will pay for your RSA course. If you are interested, contact Terry for further information.

### Act 1 Containers for Change drive

Refunds from empty bottles and cans from our bar are donated to the **QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute** in Brisbane.

Drop your refundable items at the theatre or use QIMR's customer code **C10182560** when you return your bottles and cans to a refund point so that the refund will go straight to them. **Our latest donation to QIMR from refunds was \$235.40.**

### Share us on Facebook

**Please share** any Facebook posts about Act 1 with all your contacts. Facebook is one of the main ways we publicise Act 1 and our shows. If you can spread the word to all your Facebook contacts; that will help us greatly. Many thanks for your efforts.

### Lighting & Sound Assistant

If you would like to develop expertise in the field of theatrical lighting and sound, Act 1 has an opportunity for you to gain experience by helping set up and operate sound and lighting for our shows.

If this is an area that interests you, contact Andrew, Sound & Lighting Coordinator, on 0413 759 741 or President Terry on 5433 0655.

### Membership

Act 1 members receive our monthly newsletter and a significant discount on tickets to Act 1 shows and also at Mousetrap, Sandgate and KSP theatres.

[Encourage your friends to join Act 1.](#)

Membership: \$20 (\$15 for concession cardholders).

Membership forms are available at the theatre, on [www.act1theatre.com.au](http://www.act1theatre.com.au) , or by e-mail request at [acttheatre2@gmail.com](mailto:acttheatre2@gmail.com).

Ticket prices: Full - \$20; Concession - \$17; Member - \$12; Child (under 12) - \$10.

### Committee contacts:

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### **Join 99.7**

Community radio station **99.7 Bridge FM** at Redcliffe is a great supporter of local theatre groups, particularly John Sayles in his Sunday evening program ***It Takes Two***. You can become a member of 99.7 for just \$5, receive regular newsletters, support the volunteers who operate the station and maybe participate yourself. Details at [www.997fm.com.au](http://www.997fm.com.au) .

### **Suzy and Johnny on the radio**

***It Takes Two*** with Suzy & Johnny on 99.7 Bridge FM is on **6-10pm on Sundays**. They concentrate on the Arts & Entertainment, promoting community events, particularly theatre. If you have something you would like them to help promote, contact them at [suzyandjohnny@997fm.com.au](mailto:suzyandjohnny@997fm.com.au) or mobile 0408 718 351. Listen in on Sunday.

### **What's on at local theatres**

Reciprocal arrangements with these theatres - members' ticket price for Act 1 members (theatre restaurants excepted).

**Mousetrap Theatre, Redcliffe:** *The Wizard of Oz Pantomime*, January 2022, [www.mousetraptheatre.asn.au](http://www.mousetraptheatre.asn.au), ph. 0439 954 719.

**Sandgate Theatre:**

[www.sandgatetheatre.net](http://www.sandgatetheatre.net), ph. 3283 2608.

**KSP Theatre, Burpengary:** *Almost Number 1*, 12-27 November  
[www.ksptheatreinc.net](http://www.ksptheatreinc.net), ph. 3888 8580.

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